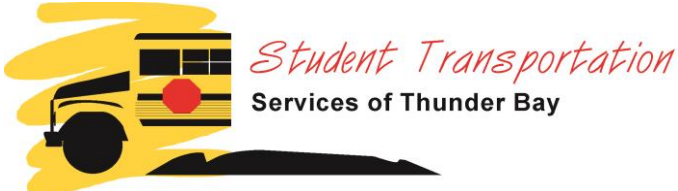
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Statement	<p>STSTB is concerned with the safety of students who live within walking distance to their zoned school (as defined by school board policy which can be found under STSTB practice STS-ELG-001 Transportation Eligibility) and must encounter one or more STSTB identified safety hazards along their route to and from school.</p> <p>STSTB shall determine the criteria necessary for the classification of a hazardous route and shall identify them in the transportation software program.</p> <p>STSTB has developed and follows procedures set up to supply transportation for students who are defined as “walkers” that may be eligible for transportation along designated hazardous routes.</p>
Practice	<p>The criteria used to determine hazardous routes may include but not limited to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) traffic volume b) sidewalk space along roads where the speed limit is over 50 km/h. c) posted speed limit of roads d) roads and highways that are winding or have blind curves e) roads and highways with steep inclines and declines f) width of shoulder on roads/highways g) unguarded railroad tracks h) high traffic roads lacking crossing guards or controlled crosswalks i) commercial or industrial areas k) number of traveled lanes of a road

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	<p>l) physical barriers such as construction, unprotected waterways and bridges.</p> <p>STSTB regularly reviews hazardous areas and works to improve or eliminate unsafe walking conditions through discussions with municipal Public Works and Crossing Guard Departments, local Police safety officers, bus companies and rural townships. Examples of improvements may include the installation of sidewalks and crossovers along high traffic roadways, the placement of Crossing Guards and reduced speed limits.</p>
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